

## Picked Up Here and There.

Mrs. Charles Emory Smith of Philadelphia, Henrietta Nichols that was the sister of the handsome and enters convent Mrs. James F. "Jimmie" Clevins, while preparing to take her vows as a nun has not forgotten the little girls of Cherry and Christie streets in her home city, for whom she is providing money besides placing her summer home at Elberon, N. J., at the disposal of the Borah House Settlement. Fifteen little girls are sent down each week from Cherry street, remaining for the week. They get the most wholesome of exercise and ocean bathing. Mrs. Smith is well known in this city and is the widow of the late Postmaster General under President McKinley, who, prior to being appointed to a cabinet position, was once an ambassador to Russia. Some eighteen months ago she entered the Institute of Our Lady of Christian Doctrine in New York to become a novice. She is now devoting her time to study and prayer while preparing to take the veil in one year from now. The Institute of Our Lady of Christian Doctrine does a large amount of charitable work among the poor Italians, also maintaining a day nursery, so valuable in a community of that sort in any city. Regrettable as it is, however, from our social life, there is no doubt as to the good that Mrs. Smith will accomplish in her new vocation.

Talking of English people reminds their friends that most interesting of all has been the visit which Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend and their daughter, Miss Yvonne, paid last month to their royal highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, at the Government House at Ottawa. Their niece, Mrs. Franklin Townsend, was also with them. The ladies are very good musicians, and every evening a beautiful provisioned concert was arranged, when Mrs. Franklin Townsend sang exquisitely and received more than her need of praise. So fully did she acquit herself of her share of the entertainment that their royal highnesses have asked her to return to them next winter. The recent visit was an entirely private affair—en famille, so to speak—which made it all the more delightful. Quite an experience, in fact. The duke and duchess, 'tis said, are so charmingly simple that in spite of their necessities they are able to enjoy the most officers of the household, such as the station of a governor general of Canada, there was as little formality as consistent with good taste. Mrs. Lawrence Townsend was the very beautiful Natalie Hanau. Her sister, Regina Hanau, married the late Edward C. Ingberich. Both sisters were educated largely abroad, where Mrs. Natalie remained longer, in order to perfect her musical training. The past summer the Townsends spent at Hague, Lake George, where their niece joined them. She is to sing at a nice charity concert in this city November 5, and also at the White House, it is said. Later she is to sing in New York. Naturally, Mrs. Townsend is much interested in her artistic success, and I hear that Mrs. John B. Thayer, Jr., also is one of her supporters and backers. Indeed, so are the Stokewicks and many other cognoscenti. After their visit to Government House at Ottawa the Townsends went to Quebec. They will return to Lake George to remain throughout this month.

Last Saturday, at the fascinating residence in Mount Auburn of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bentley Matthews, a little noted Washington party arranged to bring together a few intimates, the interesting engagement was announced of Miss Dances Matthews and Mr. Robert Hochstetter. Both are members of the fashionable circle, about whom an attractive circle centers, and the fact that Cupid now dots his jaunty cap to them has inspired the greatest felicity.

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tation. Miss Matthews is a very unusual girl, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bentley Matthews, and granddaughter of Justice Stanley Matthews of the Supreme Bench of the United States, one of the great jurists of his generation, a distinguished figure in a field of professional activity, in which the bride-elect's father has maintained the family tradition. Miss Matthews, who was brought up at "Point," the great stone villa which Mr. and Mrs. Matthews built upon the picturesque point of Edgemoor road, that overlooks the bending Ohio, is not only very handsome, with that classic face and figure suggestive of the lovely Gainsborough type of beauty, but she is extremely clever and capable, having among other gifts an inclination for dramatic art, in which it is generally conceded, had she so chosen, she might have carved out for herself a very brilliant career.

She was educated at a fashionable finishing school, and in her various voyages abroad she has pursued her taste for artistic and interesting things under the most delightful auspices. On one occasion in Italy she saw a great deal of the Lloyd Osbornes, the family of Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson's son, who, being literary and charming, always manage to surround themselves with the most delightful people possible. Italy has, in fact, other pleasant associations for Miss Matthews, for she was named for a fascinating Italian, Signora Danesi, a close friend of her mother, whom Miss Matthews' intimates have also come to know through the superb diamond chain finishing in a tiny watch of the same precious stones, which, on great occasions, the bride-elect wears with a grace that might have come to her with this precious legacy across the seas from the scented gardens and olive-crowned hills of the blue Mediterranean. A woman should withdraw from our social life, there is no doubt as to the good that Mrs. Smith will accomplish in her new vocation.

The wedding day has not been fixed, but it is understood that the date will be one of November.

One of the handsomest dances of the

Miss Mary Crocker Alexander was one of three Americans girls who were presented at the same time as the future Mrs. Edric Charles Wolsey, which recalls an interesting incident.

Just three decades ago Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, then Miss Hattie Crocker, and Mrs. Alfred B. Ford, who at the time was Miss Hilda Waterlow, were presented together at one of Queen Victoria's birthday parties, which was given at the world with Sir Sydney and Lady Waterlow, and was the guest in London during the gay season.

The twin residences in 5th avenue, New York, that have been the home of so much personal history and tragedy are

**Changes in the Vanderbilt Houses.** again to house a family. Cornelius Vanderbilt will live in the one on the corner of 51st street and is not afraid of the hoodoo. The houses were built exactly alike by two brothers and are connected by a conservatory. They were so devoted that they thought it would be a fine thing to have connecting houses. That was when they were young and did not realize how rare and ephemeral a thing affection is. It is said, did not find it the particular avenue to a particular joy. They were not awfully fond of each other nor their husbands, as they later found. So instead of living there in the happiness of affection, they were presently sent far asunder and drifted.

One of the things which the brothers planned was that when they gave dances it would be so convenient to use one of the houses as a dressing and withdrawing place. It so happened, however, that few dances were ever given there, and one of the last things done by the first of the series of residents was to shut off that connecting corridor.

Mr. Vanderbilt flung away a fortune for the woman who is his wife. He braved the anger and the disinheriting of the old man, his father, and after that what can mere superstition threaten?

Henry Frick was the last resident. He

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The Stanley Fields' new country home, out at the edge of Lake Forest, near Lake Bluff, that of the James Ward Thorne, with its beautiful bathing and swimming pool, and the new house of the Charles Edward Brown, across from the Onwentsia Club, are other new and pleasing additions to the cluster of attractive residences that ornament the suburb.

Samuel Insull's beautiful and extensive estate, near Libertyville, which has been in process of construction for nearly two years, is now nearing completion, and will be one of the most perfect examples of Italian architecture in the country. The living room is modeled after the main living room of a famous English inn, with a strange and romantic atmosphere, the conservatory is to have a removable glass roof, and the house, inside and out, is to have many other unusual features.

First among the notable nuptial events of the autumn season was the marriage of Miss Louise Dryden and Dr. Ardy Paul Cooke.

The ceremony was solemnized at the picturesque summer home of the bride at Acme, Mich. Karwartha is the name of this lovely place, and it is said to be one of the most beautiful places in Michigan. Quite an ideal place for a wedding.

It is in the heart of a forest, and with the exquisite foliage, which at this season of the year takes on the so many attractive colors, certainly no more delightful setting could be desired for a marriage.

Society was surprised within an inch of its life when news of Paul Cooke's engagement became known last winter, for everybody regarded him as a very confirmed bachelor, and thought him absolutely impervious to the cunning wiles of Cupid.

However, one can never be sure of a man, no matter what his age may be, for men invariably do the things which you least suspect and especially if there be a widow in the case.

There is still another romance in the Dryden family, the culmination of which was simultaneous with the Cooke-Dryden wedding. Miss Louise Bixby, a niece of Mrs. Cooke, was married at the same hour, and in the very same room.

Mr. Cooke met his bride when both were taking a South American trip. It was another case of love at first sight. After their honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Cooke will stop at the Washington Hotel until their own apartment is ready for occupancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Goelet Gerry have returned from a cruise on board the Overa to their country place at Warwick Neck, R. I. They were accompanied by Mrs. Clarence Wilson of Washington, D. C., for whom they gave a dinner last night.

A coming wedding.

Rev. Dr. C. Ernest Smith will perform the ceremony at the marriage of his daughter, Miss Helena Smith, and Mr. Roger Berry, which will take place Thursday evening, October 28, at 8 o'clock at St. Thomas' Church.

Miss Barbara Smith will attend her sister as maid of honor, and the bridesmaids will include Miss Mildred Bacon, Miss Elizabeth Crenshaw, Miss Bess Parkins of Georgia, Miss Dorothy Le Duc, Miss Olive Smith, the bride's sister, and Miss Mildred Berry, sister of the bridegroom. The flower girls will be Miss Flori Twilliams, the bride's niece, and Mr. Berry's niece, Miss Elizabeth Hanson.

Mr. Talburt Berry will act as best man, and the ushers are to be Mr. Alfred Hanson, Mr. Reaney Wolfe, Mr. Heath Berry, Mr. Waldo Burnside, Mr. Harold Burnside and Mr. Trenham Abrams.

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beautiful, and her tiara is one of the loveliest in any part of the world. Mrs. Horatio N. Slater may distance Mrs. Sargent in the ownership of jewels, and at any event would be a close second.

Mrs. Slater's emeralds, with their surroundings of diamonds, are supremely beautiful, and become her even better than her other gems, of which she has a splendid collection. But the vivid green of emeralds especially suits Mrs. Slater's brilliant coloring, and she shows them off to especial advantage.

Mrs. George Lee is rarely without her turquoise, which somehow seem a part of her, as does Mrs. Roger Walcott's pearl necklace. Mrs. T. Jefferson Coolidge has a splendid pearl necklace, not long, but of large, perfectly matched gems of the finest water. Mrs. Coolidge has been in mourning, and the necklace is of the only jewelry she dons.

Mrs. Oliver Foster, 24, has a superb necklace of pearls, and how entrancingly lovely she is, now that her hair is adventuring so prettily, attired in one of her white evening gowns, with her pearls and diamonds by way of ornament. The Ames family may well be noted for its jewels, for Miss Mary Shreve Ames has a splendid collection of gems. Her Harry L. Chatman's rings, wherein emeralds and diamonds predominate, are at once the envy and admiration of her friends.

Miss Emily E. Sloane, daughter of Henry T. Sloane of 18 East 65th street, New York, sailed last Saturday for France to marry Baron Amaury de la Grange, who is now fighting with his regiment at the battle front. Her father sailed with her.

Miss Sloane has taken a prominent part in the French relief work since the beginning of the war and was secretary of the Lafayette fund, which has headquarters at the Vanderbilt Hotel. She has resigned this office, but she said that she would continue to take an active interest in the affairs of the fund.

On board the steamer Miss Sloane had little to say, but was emphatic in explaining that she does not wish to be spoken of as a "war bride." She has known Baron de la Grange for several years, she said, although their engagement was announced only recently. This was shortly after she had returned from France with Mrs. William Astor Chanler, who is also interested in the Lafayette fund.

Miss Sloane admitted that she had gone to the battle front in France disguised as a French soldier's girl, a relative of one of the soldiers in the trenches, but said that her trip was solely in connection with her relief work and not a visit to her fiancé.

The couple are to be married as soon as Miss Sloane arrives in Paris, the baron having obtained a leave of absence.

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**Everett-Rizer.**

A pretty wedding took place last Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, when Miss Isabelle Rizer, daughter of Mr. H. C. Rizer, became the bride of Mr. Raymond Everett of Austin, Tex.

The ceremony was performed by the bridegroom's father, Rev. Dr. Everett, in the drawing room of the bride's home, which was beautifully decorated with white roses, palms and ferns.

The bride wore a gown of white crepe meteor draped with a shawl of exquisite chintilly lace, a heirloom in her family.

Her tulle veil was held with a cap of lace, and she carried a shower bouquet of orchids and valley lilies.

Miss Elsie Rizer was her sister's only attendant. She wore a pink and green chiffon dress trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Mr. Edmund W. Whitehead of this city was best man.

A reception followed, and later Mr. and Mrs. Everett left for an extended wedding trip, the latter wearing a smart tailored suit of gray gabardine, with a gray hat. They will make their future home in Austin, Tex.

Among the out-of-town guests here for the wedding were Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Everett of Belmar, N. J., parents of the bridegroom and his aunt, Miss Cella Everett of Dayton, N. J.; Miss Helen Marie Baker of New York city; Dr. and Mrs. J. I. Robertson and their son and daughter of Bound Brook, N. J.; and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Adams of Ann Arbor, Mich.

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